

October 11, 2018

North Dakota Public Service Commission Attn: Mr. Jerry Lein **Public Utilities Division** 600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept. 408

Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Subject: Clean Energy 1 Wind Project

Wind Turbine Road Shifts- Mercer County

Case No. PU-11-662

Mr. Lein,

On August 29, 2012 the North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) approved a Certificate of Site Compatibility (Certificate) to ALLETE Clean Energy for the Clean Energy 1 Wind Project (Project). The Certificate was subsequently amended on September 6, 2018. ALLETE Clean Energy will be continuing Project construction throughout 2018.

During Project engineering, an access road shift in Mercer County was needed to improve the Project's constructability. As a result, ALLETE Clean Energy is requesting PSC approval for an access road shifts between Turbines T-03, T-04 and T-05.

This access road shift can be found on the attached Figure 1. The North Dakota State Historic Preservation Office concurrence of "No Effect" can be found in Attachment A of this letter.

If any additional information is required by the PSC for approval please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel McCourtney **ALLETE Clean Energy**

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cc. Wells McGiffert John Hollingsworth David Moeller (electronically)

62 PU-11-662 Filed 10/11/2018 Request or approval of access road shifts Allete Clean Energy, Inc. David R. Moeller

Clean Energy 1 Proposed Road Reroutes

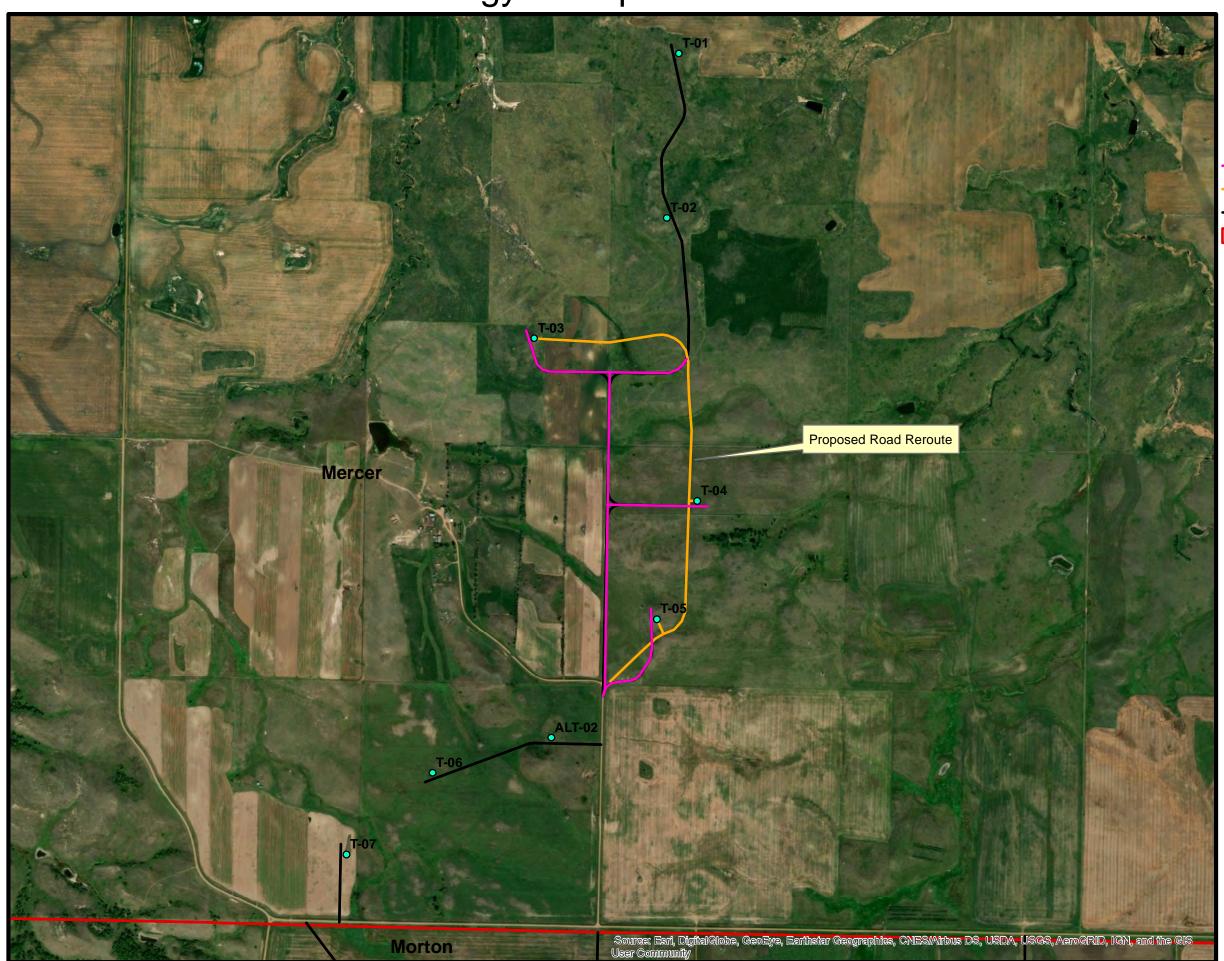
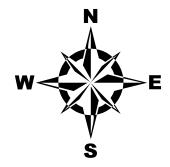


Figure 1

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Legend

- Clean Energy 1 NDPSC permitted turbine layout
 NDPSC permitted road that will not be built
 Proposed Mercer County road reroutes
 Access roads permitted by NDPSC
- County



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ND SHPO Ref: 12-0189 ND Public Service Commission (PSC) "Addendum to the Clean Energy I Wind Farm: A Class III Intensive Cultural Resource Inventory in Morton and Mercer Counties, North Dakota"

Dear Ms. Brooks,

We reviewed ND SHPO Ref: 12-0189 ND Public Service Commission (PSC) "Addendum to the Clean Energy I Wind Farm: A Class III Intensive Cultural Resource Inventory in Morton and Mercer Counties, North Dakota," and find the report acceptable. Sites 32MO1397, 32MO1398, 32MO1399; 32MO1400, 32MO1403, 32ME2421, 32ME2422, and 32ME2423 should be avoided.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this addendum. We look forward to receipt and review of the Class I file search report. If you have questions please contact or Susan Quinnell at squinnell@nd.gov or (701) 328-3576.

Sincerely,

claudia J. Berg

Director, State Historical Society of North Dakota